

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE

OFFICIAL WARNING
VIOLATION OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS



CASE NUMBER:

VIOLATOR:

Josh L. Souza
43-B-3620 / 16406

ADDRESS (Street, City, State, ZIP Code):



The U.S. Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about March 6, 2013, February 25, 2013, November 5, 2012, July 31, 2012, and January 18, 2012, you or your organization committed violations of the following sections of the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 9:

2.40(b)(2) Attending Veterinarian and Adequate Veterinary Care....DIRECT....

repeated failure to establish and maintain programs of veterinarian care that use appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries
(February 25, 2013)

2.76(a) Records: Operations of Auction Sales and Brokers....repeated failure to make, keep, and maintain records or forms which fully and correctly disclose the required information concerning each animal consigned for auction or sold

2.76(b) Records: Operations of Auction Sales and Brokers....repeated failure to give one copy of the record containing the information required by paragraph (a) of this section to the consignor of each animal and one copy of the record to the purchaser of each animal

3.1 (a) Housing Facilities General.....repeated failure to maintain housing facilities that are structurally sound and in good repair

3.4(b)(3) Outdoor Housing Facilities....repeated failure to provide wind/rain breaks at entrances to primary enclosures

3.4(b) Outdoor Housing Facilities, Shelter from the elements...DIRECT.....repeated failure to provide shelter structures that are accessible to each animal in each outdoor facility, and that are large enough to allow each animal in the shelter structure to sit, stand, and lie in a normal manner, and to turn freely (January 18, 2012)

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) created federal regulations to ensure the welfare of animals and help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases. Since violations of the regulations can have serious and costly impacts that are detrimental to the public interest, APHIS is providing you with an Official Warning for the violation(s) described above. Any further violation of these federal regulations may result in the assessment of a civil penalty, criminal prosecution, or other sanctions. If you have any questions concerning this Official Warning or violation(s), please contact the APHIS official listed in this notice.

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